

2014 MASSACHUSETTS TRAILS CONFERENCE						
Double Tree Hotel and Conference Center by Hilton, Leominster, MA						
November 8, 2014						
TIMES 7:30 - 8:15 AM	* REGISTRATION * Coffee, Tea, Juice and pastries available View Exhibits					
8:15 - 8:45 AM	WELCOME & KICK-OFF SESSION DCR COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE INTRODUCTION MARTAB'S INTRODUCTION TO CONFERENCE THEME					
	MORNING PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS - Break-out Rooms				FIELDTRIP 8:45 AM - NOON	"HANDS-ON" TRAINING 8:45 AM - NOON
8:45 - 10:15 AM	Examining Rail Trail Surface Options: Design, Construction and Maintenance <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Local & Regional Trail Visions <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Sustainable Trail Design, Construction and Maintenance <i>Gershwin Room</i>	Meeting the Challenges of Urban Trails <i>Cole Porter Room</i>	Shuttle Bus Tour: To Wachusett Mountain State Reservation's recent accessibility upgrade at the summit of the mountain and the on-going stone work on the Pine Hill Trail.	Boardwalk Building at Barrett Park: Two groups (morning and afternoon) will discuss the planning and permitting process, and then construct 1/2 of a 70-foot boardwalk.
	MID-MORNING BREAK !					
10:30 - 12 NOON	Practical Tips and Problem Solving for Trail Projects <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Hiking with Dogs <i>Gershwin Room</i>	MIXin' it UP – Along Our Trails: Rediscovering Nature & Heritage through Trails <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Negotiating Trail Easements <i>Cole Porter Room</i>		
12 NOON - 1 PM	BUFFET LUNCH - Grand Ballroom Keynote Speaker: JANET ZELLER Sustainable Trails for All - Trails, Wellness and Accessibility					
	AFTERNOON PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS - Break Out Rooms				FIELDTRIP 1 PM - 4:15 PM	"HANDS-ON" TRAINING 1 PM - 4:15 PM
1 - 2:30 PM	***Bonus Outdoor Demonstration: Training Skills for Dogs on Trails*** Time: 1pm to 2:30 pm, Location: Meet at back end of Hotel Parking lot, proceed to workshop site from there				Shuttle Bus Tour: To the completed Doyle Community Park and Center Accessible Trail and the Barrett Park Accessible Trail, just beginning construction	Boardwalk Building at Barrett Park: Two groups (morning and afternoon) will discuss the planning and permitting process, and then construct 1/2 of a 70-foot boardwalk.
	Trail Access for All: Creating Trail Experiences for Persons of All Abilities <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Solving Common Trail Problems with Creative Solutions: The Fort River Birding and Nature Trail and the Mt. Tom Bridge Project <i>Gershwin Room</i>	Off-Highway Vehicle Recreation in Mass: Programs, Policies & Updates <i>Cole Porter Room</i>	Obtaining Rail Trail Corridors <i>Ampitheatre</i>		
	MID-AFTERNOON BREAK !					
2:45 - 4:15 PM	Statewide, Long Distance Trail Updates: The Mid State Trail & The SNETT <i>Irving Berlin Room</i>	Great Trails: Providing Quality OHV Trail Experiences <i>Gershwin Room</i>	A State-Wide Trail Mapping Center: Panel Discussion <i>Ampitheatre</i>	Wetland Permitting for Trails: Community Case Studies <i>Cole Porter Room</i>		
4:15 - 5 PM	CONFERENCE WRAP UP - ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION					Grand Ballroom

